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SUBJ: SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER VISITING QATAR

- 1. DURING COURTESY CALL ON AMBASSADOR AFTERNOON JAN 27, QATARI AMBASSADOR TO U.S. AL MANA INFORMED US THAT SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER, PRINCE SAUD IBN FAISAL, HAD JUST ARRIVED IN DOHA FOR BRIEF VISIT. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUERY, AL MANA SAID HE DID NOT KNOW PURPOSE OR DURATION OF SAUD'S VISIT.
- 2. COMMENT: IT UNUSUAL FOR HIGH-LEVEL SAUDI OFFICIAL TO VISIT QATAR, WHICH IN MANY WAYS CONSIDERED BOTH BY SAG AND GOQ AS EXTENSION OF KINGDOM. WE RECALL PRINCE SAUD'S COMMENT TO AMBASSADOR DURING CONVERSATION IN RIYADH IN EARLY JANUARY THT SAUDIS ONLY VISITED IF THERE WERE PROBLEMS IN RELATIONS. WE UNAWARE OF ANY GOQ-SAG DIFFICULTIES; IN ANY EVENT, QATARIS CERTAIN TO BE FLATTERED BY THIS EXTRAORDINARY ATTENTION. PAGANELLI

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